



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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C. Healion

Applicant

: Takashi Yokobiki, et al.

Application No.

: 10/665,686

Filed

: September 17, 2003

Title

: OPTICAL FIBER RETAINING METHOD AND APPARATUS THEREOF

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Docket No.

: 51020/RJP/T360

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PostOffice Box 7068 Pasadena, CA 91109-7068

November 5, 2003

Commissioner:

Enclosed is an amendment to the above-identified application.

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	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Paid For	Number Extra Claims	Small Entity Rate	Large Entity Rate	FEE
Total Claims Fee	39	*23	16	x \$9.00	16 x \$18.00	288
Independent Claims	7	** 3	4	x \$43.00	4 x \$86.00	344
Multiple Dependent Claims ***				\$145.00	\$290.00	
TOTAL FILING FEE						632
NO ADDITIONAL FEE REQUIRED ****	IF NO FEE REQUIRED, INSERT "0"					

LIST INDEPENDENT CLAIMS: 1, 9, 15, 24, 28, 32, 36

- * IF HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR IS 20 OR LESS, WRITE "20" IN COLUMN 3
- ** IF HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR IS 3 OR LESS, WRITE "3" IN COLUMN 3
- *** PAY THIS FEE ONLY WHEN MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS ARE ADDED FOR THE FIRST TIME
- **** IF NO FEE REQUIRED, ADDRESS ENVELOPE TO "BOX NON-FEE AMENDMENTS"

Attached is our check for \$632 to pay the fees calculated above.
A Petition for Extension of Time and the required fee are enclosed.
Other enclosures:

Amendment Transmittal Letter Application No. 10/665,686

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required by or to give effect to this paper to Deposit Account No. 03-1728. Please show our docket number with any charge or credit to our Deposit Account. A copy of this letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Commissioner:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 15 of this paper.

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